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Calf Crop 1960

(With Revised Estimates for 1955-59)

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CALF CROP UP 1 PERCENT

The 1960 calf crop totaled 39,280,000 head, 1 percent more than the 1959 calf crop of 38,938,000 head. The increase for 1960 was the second year of increase after the 1955 through 1958 downtrend in calf crops. The 1960 calf crop was 1 percent above the 1949-58 average of 38,886,000 head. All regions except the South Atlantic show larger calf crops in 1960.

The increased calf crop in 1960 compared with the previous year was due primarily to a larger number of cows and heifers on farms. Cows and heifers 2 years old and older January 1, 1960 totaled 45,871,000 head, compared with 45,226,000 head January 1, 1959, and by January 1, 1961 the number had increased to 46,275,000 head.

The number of calves born in 1960, expressed as a percent of the cows and heifers 2 years old and older January 1, 1960, at 86 percent, was the same as for 1959 and the 1949-58 average. This percentage is not strictly a calving rate since the January 1 inventory of cows and heifers 2 years old and older does not include all heifers which give birth to calves during the year and includes some cows that die or are slaughtered before calving. This percentage is calculated to show trend in productivity over a period of time, and may fluctuate from year to year due to variation in cow slaughter and trends in breeding herd replacement.

NORTH CENTRAL STATES

The 16,007,000-head calf crop in the North Central States was slightly higher than in 1959, but 3 percent below the 10-year average. The East North Central States had virtually the same size calf crop as in 1959 and the West North Central States had a slightly larger calf crop. The 1960 calf crop for this region was 89 percent of the cows and heifers 2 years old and older the first of the year, the same percentage as in 1959.

SOUTHERN STATES

In the South Atlantic States the 1960 calf crop, at 2,966,000 head, was 2 percent below 1959. However, in the South Central States the calf crop last year was 10,540,000 head--3 percent higher than in 1959. The calf crop as a percent of cows and heifers 2 years old and older was 77 percent (down 1 point) in the South Atlantic States and 83 percent, unchanged from a year earlier, in the South Central States.

WESTERN STATES

The 1960 calf crop in the Western States totaled 6,943,000 head and exceeded the 1959 calf crop of 6,889,000 head by 1 percent. The calf crop as a percent of cows 2 years old and older was 86 percent compared with 88 percent in 1959.

REVISIONS

Revised calf crop estimates for the period 1955-59 are included in this report. These revisions resulted primarily from revised estimates of cows and heifers two years old and older which were based on data from the Census of Agriculture taken in the fall of 1959 and on other data which became available after the original estimates were made.

Calf crop: 1959 and 1960

State and division:	Cows and heifers 2 yrs. & older January 1			Calves born as percent of cows and heifers 2 yrs. & older January 1 1/			Calves born		
	10-year			10-year			10-year		
	average	1959	1960	average	1959	1960	average	1959	1960
	1949-58			1949-58			1949-58		
	1,000	1,000	1,000				1,000	1,000	1,000
	head	head	head	Percent	Percent	Percent	head	head	head
Maine	127	114	113	85	83	85	108	95	96
N.H.	70	61	60	84	85	87	59	52	52
Vt.	303	291	288	82	85	85	248	247	245
Mass.	126	104	104	82	83	85	103	86	88
R.I.	19	17	16	81	76	79	16	13	13
Conn.	118	103	100	81	80	83	96	82	83
N.Y.	1,470	1,417	1,409	86	84	86	1,261	1,190	1,212
N.J.	157	147	144	79	79	81	124	116	117
Pa.	1,059	1,074	1,068	85	86	86	902	924	918
N.A.	3,449	3,328	3,302	84	84	85	2,915	2,805	2,824
Ohio	1,140	1,039	1,025	86	85	86	978	883	882
Ind.	940	839	825	89	87	87	839	730	718
Ill.	1,442	1,321	1,316	90	88	88	1,294	1,162	1,158
Mich.	977	825	824	85	85	85	830	701	700
Wis.	2,532	2,532	2,525	91	89	90	2,310	2,253	2,272
E.N.C.	7,031	6,556	6,515	89	87	88	6,251	5,729	5,730
Minn.	1,746	1,740	1,742	91	89	89	1,591	1,549	1,550
Iowa	1,955	1,936	1,936	94	92	91	1,838	1,781	1,762
Mo.	1,808	1,826	1,858	91	90	89	1,651	1,643	1,654
N.Dak.	886	952	953	90	91	89	792	866	848
S.Dak.	1,411	1,529	1,531	90	91	93	1,270	1,391	1,424
Nebr.	1,791	1,821	1,855	90	90	89	1,623	1,647	1,660
Kans.	1,692	1,511	1,585	89	90	87	1,514	1,360	1,379
W.N.C.	11,288	11,315	11,460	91	90	90	10,279	10,237	10,277
N.C.	18,320	17,871	17,975	90	89	89	16,530	15,966	16,007
Del.	41	36	35	79	80	78	32	29	27
Md.	282	280	279	84	84	83	237	235	232
Va.	731	721	753	83	85	84	606	613	633
W.Va.	324	299	300	84	84	85	272	251	255
N.C.	503	512	507	78	80	77	391	410	390
S.C.	289	296	299	78	79	77	225	234	230
Ga.	716	755	748	80	80	80	572	604	598
Fla.	890	962	954	65	67	63	583	645	601
S.A.	3,776	3,861	3,875	77	78	77	2,918	3,021	2,966
Ky.	949	1,045	1,076	88	91	88	837	951	947
Tenn.	958	985	1,024	87	88	86	832	867	881
Ala.	891	934	939	78	80	81	697	747	761
Miss.	1,185	1,244	1,233	74	74	75	878	921	925
Ark.	798	791	795	81	80	81	642	633	644
La.	1,028	1,089	1,081	79	77	78	808	839	843
Okla.	1,588	1,597	1,679	88	88	87	1,402	1,405	1,461
Texas	4,674	4,636	4,855	84	84	84	3,950	3,894	4,078
S.C.	12,072	12,321	12,682	83	83	83	10,048	10,257	10,540
Mont.	1,081	1,181	1,201	91	90	90	989	1,063	1,081
Idaho	527	602	613	88	90	88	466	542	539
Wyo.	549	572	585	85	90	87	468	515	509
Colo.	880	886	900	88	88	89	770	780	801
N.Mex.	678	649	671	81	86	84	552	558	564
Ariz.	454	386	396	79	80	75	359	309	297
Utah	339	351	360	86	87	88	292	305	317
Nev.	296	278	281	77	79	80	228	220	225
Wash.	504	524	544	87	90	85	439	472	462
Oreg.	647	702	734	84	88	85	547	618	624
Calif.	1,615	1,732	1,752	84	87	87	1,366	1,507	1,524
West.	7,570	7,863	8,037	85	88	86	6,476	6,889	6,943
U.S.	45,187	45,244	45,871	86	86	86	38,886	38,938	39,280

1/ Not strictly a calving rate. Figure represents calves born expressed as percentage of the number of cows and heifers 2 years old and over on farms and ranches January 1.


Number cows and heifers 2 years and older January 1, and calves born as percent of cows, 1955-58

State and division	Cows and heifers 2 years & older January 1				Calves born as percent of cows and heifers 2 years & older January 1 1/			
	1955	1956	1957	1958	1955	1956	1957	1958
	head	head	head	head	Percent	Percent	Percent	Percent
Maine	132	132	126	118	87	84	82	83
N.H.	73	74	70	64	87	81	78	82
Vt.	323	327	314	298	84	81	81	85
Mass.	128	125	118	110	85	78	79	81
R.I.	19	19	18	17	84	81	79	79
Conn.	122	120	115	109	84	82	80	77
N.Y.	1,527	1,532	1,506	1,458	87	86	85	84
N.J.	161	161	157	151	80	80	78	79
Pa.	1,114	1,121	1,111	1,087	84	85	85	86
N.A.	3,599	3,611	3,535	3,412	85	84	84	84
Ohio	1,173	1,150	1,135	1,083	86	88	85	84
Ind.	1,000	964	912	868	87	88	89	86
Ill.	1,516	1,474	1,461	1,387	89	89	88	86
Mich.	998	985	956	879	84	84	81	83
Wis.	2,665	2,676	2,644	2,571	92	91	91	90
E.N.C.	7,352	7,249	7,108	6,788	89	89	88	87
Minn.	1,830	1,845	1,847	1,781	91	91	87	89
Iowa	2,140	2,064	1,998	1,915	93	94	94	94
Mo.	2,011	1,937	1,880	1,764	88	88	90	91
N.Dak.	984	1,026	984	954	90	86	88	89
S.Dak.	1,587	1,639	1,525	1,501	93	85	89	91
Nebr.	2,036	1,901	1,810	1,765	88	91	90	90
Kans.	1,937	1,794	1,543	1,485	86	88	86	88
W.N.C.	12,525	12,206	11,587	11,165	90	89	89	90
N.C.	19,877	19,455	18,695	17,953	89	89	89	89
Del.	45	43	39	39	77	75	81	79
Md.	311	298	288	287	82	82	87	83
Va.	803	779	762	738	81	82	83	84
W.Va.	341	338	326	311	84	82	82	82
N.C.	576	573	551	531	76	77	78	78
S.C.	345	342	341	325	74	77	78	73
Ga.	864	825	808	787	77	78	81	79
Fla.	1,001	989	1,029	1,020	66	68	66	65
S.A.	4,286	4,187	4,144	4,038	76	77	77	76
Ky.	995	1,005	1,025	1,014	89	90	90	92
Tenn.	1,046	1,032	1,029	1,003	86	87	86	86
Ala.	1,051	1,002	971	952	74	77	81	79
Miss.	1,408	1,401	1,404	1,357	72	75	77	72
Ark.	890	878	869	849	77	79	83	75
La.	1,164	1,206	1,185	1,157	83	78	79	77
Okla.	1,769	1,682	1,626	1,555	86	86	81	85
Texas	4,828	4,728	4,499	4,403	87	87	83	86
S.C.	13,151	12,934	12,608	12,290	83	84	82	83
Mont.	1,214	1,234	1,178	1,175	92	90	90	91
Idaho	602	588	600	583	88	90	88	91
Wyo.	568	553	558	552	85	87	87	90
Colo.	920	873	856	866	87	89	88	88
N.Mex.	689	722	643	628	84	83	81	84
Ariz.	477	454	427	407	76	75	74	79
Utah	364	357	350	349	88	83	83	86
Nev.	317	306	301	280	80	77	77	78
Wash.	560	555	527	514	89	85	87	89
Oreg.	728	709	673	666	85	85	87	87
Calif.	1,769	1,745	1,764	1,717	86	86	86	87
West.	8,208	8,096	7,877	7,737	86	86	86	87
U.S.	49,121	48,283	46,859	45,430	86	86	85	86

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Calf Crop - Number calves born 1955-58

State and division	Calves born			
	1955	1956	1957	1958
	<u>1,000</u> <u>head</u>	<u>1,000</u> <u>head</u>	<u>1,000</u> <u>head</u>	<u>1,000</u> <u>head</u>
Maine	115	111	103	98
N.H.	64	60	55	52
Vt.	271	265	254	253
Mass.	109	98	93	89
R.I.	16	15	14	13
Conn.	102	98	92	84
N.Y.	1,328	1,318	1,280	1,225
N.J.	129	129	122	119
Pa.	936	953	944	935
N.A.	3,070	3,047	2,957	2,868
Ohio	1,009	1,012	965	910
Ind.	870	848	812	746
Ill.	1,349	1,312	1,286	1,193
Mich.	838	827	774	730
Wis.	2,452	2,435	2,406	2,314
E.N.C.	6,518	6,434	6,243	5,893
Minn.	1,665	1,679	1,607	1,585
Iowa	1,990	1,940	1,878	1,800
Mo.	1,770	1,705	1,692	1,605
N.Dak.	886	882	866	849
S.Dak.	1,476	1,393	1,357	1,366
Nebr.	1,792	1,739	1,638	1,588
Kans.	1,666	1,579	1,327	1,307
W.N.C.	11,245	10,917	10,365	10,100
N.C.	17,763	17,351	16,608	15,993
Del.	35	32	32	31
Md.	255	244	251	238
Va.	650	639	632	620
W.Va.	286	277	267	255
N.C.	438	441	430	414
S.C.	255	263	266	237
Ga.	665	644	654	622
Fla.	661	673	679	663
S.A.	3,245	3,213	3,211	3,080
Ky.	886	904	922	933
Tenn.	900	898	885	863
Ala.	778	772	787	752
Miss.	1,014	1,051	1,081	977
Ark.	685	694	721	637
La.	966	941	936	891
Okla.	1,521	1,447	1,317	1,322
Texas	4,200	4,113	3,734	3,787
S.C.	10,950	10,820	10,383	10,162
Mont.	1,117	1,111	1,060	1,069
Idaho	530	529	528	531
Wyo.	483	481	485	497
Colo.	800	777	753	762
N.Mex.	579	599	521	528
Ariz.	363	340	316	322
Utah	320	296	290	300
Nev.	254	236	232	218
Wash.	498	472	458	457
Oreg.	619	603	586	579
Calif.	1,521	1,501	1,517	1,494
West.	7,084	6,945	6,746	6,757
U.S.	42,112	41,376	39,905	38,860



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